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Puthenthodu for the convenience of the public. These bridges might be constructed at its eastern and western extremities. The Member also suggested improvement of the roads on either bank of the canal, with the necessary ghats constructed at convenient places on the sides of the canal.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

81. Bridge over the Vadayar river.

Mr. G. Aiyappan Pillai (Member, Vaikam Taluk) urged the construction of a bridge over the Vadayar river on the Ettumanur-Vaikam road.

Dewan's reply.—Government have received an estimate for Rs. 20,050 for improving the Ettumanur-Vaikam road, and another for Rs. 20,000 for constructing a bridge over the Vadayar river near the 15th mile stone. Both the estimates are being sanctioned; and funds for carrying out the works will be provided, partly in 1086 and partly in 1087.

82. Removal of the Valianapuzha bund &c.

Mr. Varki Thariyan (Member, Vaikam Taluk) stated that, during the rainy season, water collected in the Valianapuzha bund and destroyed all the paddy cultivation. He suggested the removal of the Valianapuzha bund and the construction of a bridge at the place, as also the construction of a bund from Thalayazhom to Vetchur and a lock in the canal from Vaikam to Kottayam.

Dewan's reply.—The proposals of the Member are reported by the Chief Engineer to be impracticable. This is a technical matter in regard to which the professional Department is the best judge. The Kaipuzha scheme, of which this is a part, is one requiring investigation and it will take time and money. It is not likely to be taken up or done in the near future. The Chief Engineer has tentatively proposed the construction of two large escapes, one at 300 feet below the Valianapuzha bund and the other at the Marumathil thodu. This proposal is under consideration.

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83. Necessity for a hospital at Ettumanur.

Mr. Narayana Pillai (Member, Ettumanur Taluk) urged the necessity for a hospital at Ettumanur.

Dewan's reply.—A dispensary will be opened at Ettumanur.

84. Transfer of the Revenue jurisdiction of the present Pudupalli pakuthi from Changanacheri to Kottayam.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvila (Member, Kottayam Taluk) submitted that Government might be pleased to transfer the Revenue jurisdiction of the present Pudupalli *pakuthi* from the Changanacheri taluk to the Kottayam taluk.

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